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**Date:** July 9, 2015

**Action:** Notice of Public Hearing to Consider the Adoption of an Amendment to Chapter 290-7-1-.03, 290-7-1-.04, 290-7-1-.05, 290-7-1-.06, and 290-7-1-.10 related to Recovery and Administration of Child Support.

**To All Interested Persons and Parties:**

The Georgia Department of Human Services, Division of Child Support Services (the Department) proposes amendments to Chapter 290-7-1 of the Rules of the Georgia Department of Human Services related to Recovery and Administration of Child Support. Proposed amendments affect chapter sections: 290-7-1-.03, 290-7-1-.04, 290-7-1-.05, 290-7-1-.06, and 290-7-1-.10. Adoption of these amendments will assist the Department in providing enforcement services. First, amendments to 290-7-1-.05, 290-7-1-.06, and 290-7-1-.10 will set out procedural changes concerning review and modifications and electronic submission of Federal Income Withholding (FIW) documents. Secondly, amendments to 290-7-1-.03, 290-7-1-.04, and 290-7-1-.05 will enable the Department to comply with HB 568 by instituting procedures that assist with the requirement of genetic testing prior to establishment of child support cases. The Department will be accepting written comments from July 9, 2015, to close of business (4:30 p.m. EDT) on August 10, 2015.

This notice, together with an exact copy of the proposed amended rule and a synopsis of the proposed amended rule, is being mailed to all persons who have requested, in writing, that they be placed on a mailing list. A copy of this notice, an exact copy of the proposed amended rule, and a synopsis of the proposed amended rule may be reviewed during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, except official

State holidays, at the Department of Human Services, Office of General Counsel, 2 Peachtree Street NW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303. These documents will also be available for review on the Division of Child Support Services' web page at <http://ocss.dhs.georgia.gov>.

A public hearing is scheduled to begin at 1:00 p.m. on August 12, 2015, at the Board Room on the 29<sup>th</sup> floor of 2 Peachtree Street to provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed amended rule. At the public hearing anyone may present data, make a statement, comment or offer a viewpoint or argument whether orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, must be submitted for the official record. Oral statements should be concise and will be limited to 5 minutes per person. Additional comments should be presented in writing. Written comments are welcome. To ensure their consideration, written comments must be received on or before August 10, 2015. Written comments should be addressed to Harold Johnson, Interim General Counsel, 2 Peachtree Street NW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303. FAX: 404-657-1123.

The proposed amended rule will be considered for adoption by the Board at its meeting scheduled to begin at 1:00 PM. on August 26, 2015, in the Board Room on the 29<sup>th</sup> floor of 2 Peachtree Street.

**Comment Period and Additional Information:**

The Department will be accepting written comments from July 9, 2015, to close of business (4:30 p.m. EDT) on August 10, 2015. Comments will be considered on August 12, 2015. Please submit written comments to:

Harold Johnson, Office of General Counsel  
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2 Peachtree Street NW, Suite 29-101  
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Interested persons may call or submit a written request to obtain a copy of the proposed rule(s). A copy of the synopsis and the proposed rule(s) may be downloaded from the Georgia Department of Human Services, Division of Child Support Services website at <http://ocss.dhs.georgia.gov>.

This notice is given in compliance with the Georgia Administrative Procedure Act, O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4.